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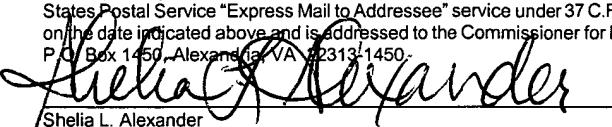
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Re: U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/835,976 for
PURIFIED AND ISOLATED POTASSIUM-CHLORIDE
COTRANSPORTER NUCLEIC ACIDS AND
POLYPEPTIDES AND THERAPEUTIC AND
SCREENING METHODS USING SAME
Our Ref. No. 1242/26/2

Sir:

Please find enclosed in connection with the subject U.S. patent application the following documents:

1. An Amendment Transmittal Form;
2. An Amendment D including a Petition for Extension of Time (17 pages);
3. Exhibit A (4 pages)
4. A check in the amount of \$510.00;
5. A return-receipt postcard to be returned to us with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office filing stamp thereon; and
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**AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

Attorney Docket No: 1242/26/2

Application Serial Number:
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Invention: Purified and Isolated Potassium-Chloride Cotransporter Nucleic Acids and Polypeptides and Therapeutic and Screening Methods Using Same

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated as shown below.

CLAIMS AS AMENDED

	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	NO. OF EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	14	MINUS	115	0	\$25	\$ 0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	4	MINUS	14	0	\$100	\$ 0.00

Petition is hereby made under 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the time for response to the Office Action of 1/24/2006 to and through 7/24/2006, comprising an extension of the shortened statutory period of:

one month (\$60.00) three months (\$510.00)
 two months (\$225.00) four months (\$795.00)

TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT

Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.

A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

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